GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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REPLACEMENT OF AGEING AIRCRAFT IN AIR INDIA .
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Air India has cut down its net loss from Rs.122 crore in the first six months of last fiscal year to a mere Rs.5.5 crore in the first half of this year;

(b) if so, whether they have also felt an immediate need of induction of new Aircraft for replacing its ageing fleet;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) the total expenditure involved in replacing ageing fleet; and

(e) the time by which the Government are likely to take a final decision in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION
(SHRI SHARAD YADAV)

(a): During the period April, 1999 to September, 1999, Air India has incurred a net loss of Rs.5.29 crore against a net loss of Rs.127.37 crore for the same period of last year.

(b), (c), (d) & (e): Air India has been working at its fleet plan for sometime, but has not taken final decision so far.